

APPLICATION TO LEASE STATE FARM

In terms of the department's State Land Lease and Disposal Policy, eligible applicants are invited to submit applications to lease agricultural properties described as follows:

Property description	Portion 0 of Farm number 37 (Lower Pelion Farm)
Total extent	1298.5025 ha
Current farm use breakdown	Livestock sheep, cattle and fodder
Category of lessee	2
Farm location and GPS coordinates	Lady Grey

The property is suitable for various land uses. Prospective farmers interested in leasing the property from the state are encouraged to apply.

1. ELIGIBILITY AND EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Applicants must be Africans, Indians and Coloureds, who are South African citizens. The African in this context includes persons from the first nations of South Africa
- Applicants MUST BE 18 years or older and have valid South African bar-coded identity documents.
- Priority within the target groups shall be given to Military Veterans with valid force numbers.
- Applicants must indicate their current farming area, e.g. communal or commonage, if any.
- The successful applicant must be willing to stay full time on the farm for the duration of the lease contract.
- Applicants must indicate the farming resources that they have or submit proof of access to resources for the farming operation as own contribution, i.e. capital, equipment, biological assets, etc.
- 3-5 Years farming experience will be an added advantage.

2. MANDATORY DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

- Completion of the application form.
- In the case of a natural person: Certified copy of the applicant's barcoded South African ID.
- In the case of a juristic person: Unabridged legal entity registration certificate and a resolution appointing the representative.
- A signed declaration form indicating that the applicant is neither a public servant nor a public office bearer.
- Applicants are expected to attend a briefing session at Lady Grey Municipal hall at 10:00 and farm orientations on 17 February 2022.
- Evaluation interviews will be held at the time and place determined by the department.
- The applications should indicate the number of livestock that the applicant owns, and their livestock branding certificate, where applicable.
- If shortlisted, you will be required to avail your livestock for the purpose of verification.
- Closing date: 24 February 2022.

Government employees and politicians holding public office do not qualify.

Manual application forms may be obtained from and submitted to the nearest office of the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural development OR via email from Vincent.Paul@dalrrd.gov.za.

An application, accompanied by business proposals, must be hand delivered to the Departmental offices at No. 66 Prince Alfred Street Queenstown by 24 February 2022.

All applications must be hand delivered, and applications received after the closing date will not be considered. Applicants who previously applied are encouraged to re-apply.

Special COVID-19 Provisions

To adhere to the COVID-19 regulations, the following rules shall apply:

- All compulsory farm orientations will be arranged in phases to accommodate up to 50 people at a time. The office will telephonically inform each applicant of the relevant time slot applicable to them, i.e. morning or afternoon session, to avoid overcrowding.
- All applicants must wear face masks.
- Social distancing will be observed during the farm inspection.
- Applicants must note that there will be a full Covid-19 screening on the day of the inspection.

Applicants can also contact Vincent Paul on landline 045-807 2500 and cell phone, 082 419 5292 respectively, for more information.

Closing date and time for application: 24 February 2022. Late applications will not be considered.



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